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SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM (NAMAKKAL): Thank you Deputy Speaker, Sir. Tamil Nadu Police is one of the most professional and efficient police forces in the country. The constant vigil maintained by the police force has ensured a stellar record for the State in maintaining law and order and effectively combating threats to internal security.

An estimated allocation of Rs.12,379.30 crore for modernization of State Police Force for the five year period from 2012-13 to 2016-17 is inadequate for the needs of the entire police force of the country. Tamil Nadu itself would require around Rs.10,000 crore in the next few years for modernization of its police force.

The hon. Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Puratchi Thalaivi Amma in the memorandum submitted personally to the hon. Prime Minister has requested that central funding must be substantially enhanced to support the State's effort to create a world class modern and efficient police force.

I would urge the Government to enhance the financial support to Tamil Nadu and expedite the release of funds under this scheme.